The imports of tea under this Agreement is very negligible as our records show.

SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Sir, I want to know very precisely...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: This is my second supplementary.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

India's exports share in international trade market

*208. SHRI SHAHID SIDDIQUI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total percentage of Indian export share at present in the international trade market;

(b) what are the major products; and

(c) what is the ratio between export and import?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) According to the latest Economic Survey, India's export share in world exports was 0.8% in 2003.

(b) The major export products include textiles, gems and jewellery, engineering goods, chemical and related products, agricultural and allied products and petroleum products.

(c) According to the provisional data provided by the Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics, the ratio between export and import in 2003-04 is 82:100.

Conviction rate under Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Act, 1989

*209. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the conviction rate under the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 has been abysmally

low due to an inherent bias against Dalits and weakening of cases by the prosecution;

(b) whether the gravity of offences under the Act is being diluted by the prosecution by introducing errors, removing the caste angle and omitting [illegible]se abuse; and

(c) whether Government would consider holding the public prosecutors accountable for poor representation of criminal cases where Dalits are the victims?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No specific complaint of this nature has been brought to the notice of the Union Government.

(c) Under the existing criminal justice administration system, the rate of conviction depends on various factors such as status of investigation by the investigating officers, professional processing of the charge-sheets, presentation of cases by the Public Prosecutor, level of awareness and professional orientation of various sections of the criminal justice system. It may therefore not be appropriate to hold the public prosecutors solely responsible for the lower conviction rate under the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (POA) Act, 1989.

Talks between India and Pakistan

*210. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the latest rounds of talks between India and Pakistan in relation to the armed forces withdrawal in both sides of the border of the State of Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) what measures Government have in mind in relation to cross border terrorism after such withdrawal; and

(c) whether Government would place details of the security forces-terrorist casualties in the State of Jammu and Kashmir since July, 2004?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) to (c) Talks were held between India and Pakistan in August, 2004 on issues relating to Siachen. No decision was taken regarding withdrawal on both sides of the border.